



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**National Highway  
Traffic Safety  
Administration**

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NVS-215kjs  
10V-365

SUBJECT: FRONT SIDE REFLECTOR HEIGHT

DEAR MR. FRANKLIN:

This letter serves to acknowledge Yamaha Motor Corporation, Inc.'s (Yamaha) notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety noncompliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 108, "Lamps, Reflective devices and Associated Equipment," for which a safety recall campaign will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the motorcycles listed below.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

**Makes/Models/Model Years:**  
YAMAHA/YZF-R6/2005-2010

**NHTSA Campaign Number:** 10V-365      **Mfg's Report Date:** August 2, 2010

**Components:** EXTERIOR LIGHTING

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 54,000

**Summary:**

YAMAHA IS RECALLING CERTAIN MODEL YEAR 2006 THROUGH 2010 YZF-R6 MOTORCYCLES MANUFACTURED FROM AUGUST 2005 THROUGH MARCH 2010. THE MOTORCYCLE'S FRONT SIDE REFLECTOR WAS NOT PLACED AT THE PROPER HEIGHT WHICH FAILS TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD NO. 108, "LAMPS, REFLECTIVE DEVICES, AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT."

**Consequence:**

VISIBILITY OF THE MOTORCYCLE WILL BE DECREASED, POSSIBLY INCREASING THE RISK OF A CRASH.

**Remedy:**

YAMAHA WILL NOTIFY OWNERS AND DEALERS WILL REPAIR THE MOTORCYCLES FREE OF CHARGE. THE SAFETY RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT AUGUST 11, 2010. OWNERS MAY CONTACT YAMAHA AT 1-800-962-7926.

**Notes:**

CUSTOMERS MAY CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY: 1-800-424-9153); OR GO TO [HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV](http://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV).

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have received Yamaha's proposed owner notification letter and it is currently under review. You will be notified of any changes or concerns once our review is complete. Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter in which the campaign was initiated. Thereafter, quarterly reports will be due on or before 30 days after close of the calendar quarter.

Your contact for this recall will be Kelly Schuler, who may be reached by phone at 202-366-5227, by email at [Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov](mailto:Kelly.Schuler@dot.gov), or through the office email at [RMD.ODI@dot.gov](mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov). We look forward to working with you for the successful completion of this recall campaign. Sincerely,

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Office of Defects Investigation  
Enforcement